

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, The backbone of our glorious nation is the strength and unifying permanence of the family unit; and,

WHEREAS, For most South Dakotans, the family is a place of comfort and solace; it serves as our shelter and our guide down the pathways of life; and,

WHEREAS, Though families may split apart in a geographical sense, distance cannot break the powerful bonds of emotional and spiritual togetherness; and,

WHEREAS, The truly devoted family, no matter how scattered by time and space, will make frequent attempts to "keep the lines open," occasionally gathering together en masse to celebrate their lives and loves for one another; and,

WHEREAS, Such is the case of the "Olson Clan," a large and loving group of close-knit kin, some traveling from as far away as Alaska, Hawaii, and Canada, simply to share the pleasures and rewards of each other's company; and,

WHEREAS, It all started a century ago with the immigration to America of a 69-year-old widowed mother and her five sons and two daughters, some with families of their own. They came from Etne, Norway, they homesteaded on the plains of Dakota Territory, and they call Langford South Dakota, their home; and,

WHEREAS, Today their descendants are nearly a thousand strong, and most of the farms established by these immigrants are currently run by third-generation sons and daughters; and,

WHEREAS, South Dakota welcomes the returning members of the "Olson Clan," and wishes to thank the entire Olson family for the tremendous contribution they have all made to the heritage of this state:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 18, and 19, 1983, as

OLSON FAMILY REUNION DAYS

In South Dakota...



ATTEST:

Alice Rundert
ALICE RUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eleventh Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

William J. Janklow
WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA - BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION - OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY
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